



Summer Guide

2006

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*"All summer long we sang a song
And then we strolled on golden sand..."*

Summer Wind — Music and lyrics by Henry Mayer and Hans Bradtke
— Performed by Frank Sinatra

With the summer breeze comes that Seattle urge to go outside and enjoy the sun. Seattle Parks and Recreation offers an abundance of fun, safe summer activities all over the city. Here's a sampling.

Good safety news for boaters and cyclists!

Parks and Children's Hospital, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, and Fisheries Supply, offer low cost life jackets at Evans Pool, 7201 E Green Lake Dr. N., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on June 17, July 15, August 19, and September 16. State law requires that kids 12 and younger wear them on boats smaller than 19 feet, and that there be one on board for each person. Jackets cost \$20 each. For more information, please call the pool at 684-4961.

Did you know the law now requires that you wear a helmet when you ride your bicycle? Parks and the Cascade Bicycle Club Education Foundation offer \$10 bike helmets from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month through September (June 17, July 15, August 19, and September 16). Come in for a professional fitting and a great deal on a helmet. Please bring a parent or guardian if you're younger than 18! Locations:

Evans Pool, 7201 E Green Lake Dr. N, 684-4961

Medgar Evers Pool, 500 23rd Ave., 684-4766

Meadowbrook Pool, 10515 35th Ave. NE, 684-4989
(not open August 19)

Queen Anne Pool, 1920 1st Ave. W, 386-4282

Rainier Beach Pool, 8825 Rainier Ave. S, 386-1944

Southwest Pool, 2801 SW Thistle St., 684-7440

NEW! Shuttle to the Discovery Park Lighthouse

The Discovery Park Advisory Council is pleased to sponsor special days when the Discovery Park Lighthouse is open to the public for the first time in 15 years. The lighthouse, built in 1881, was the first manned station in Puget Sound and the last to be automated, in 1985. Parks acquired it from the U.S. Coast Guard in October 2005. Restoration begins next spring, and when the lighthouse reopens, it will be open regularly to the public for a variety of programs and activities.

This summer, on these dates, a shuttle bus (\$1 per person) will take people from the Visitor Center to the lighthouse every half hour from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. There are very low tides on these dates, so stay and explore the beach!

Saturday, June 10

Saturday, June 24

Sunday, June 25

Saturday, July 8

Saturday, July 15

Sunday, July 23

Saturday, August 12

Sunday, August 20



Our second year of summer Activities at Freeway Park

Parks brings fun activities to Freeway Park for the second summer. As an element of Mayor Nickels' efforts to revitalize our center city parks, look for the walking loop, lots of free music, a theater performance, and free Wi-Fi. Please call 206-684-7180 or visit the web at <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/parkspaces/FreewayPark.htm>.

Free Lunchtime Concerts

Thursdays from noon to 1 p.m.

- July 13** Bluesberry Marmalade - Rhythm and blues
- July 20** Bob Antolin Dou - Jazz
- July 24** Out to lunch Concert (Downtown Seattle Association series)
- July 27** Susan Pascal - Contemporary Jazz
- August 3** Ruzivo Marimba Ensemble - Shona music of Zimbabwe
- August 4** Navy Band - Patriotic
- August 10** Emerald City Jazz Ensemble - Jazz
- August 17** Michael Powers - Jazz
- August 24** Black Lab Trio - Smooth Jazz
- August 31** Vivo Wind Trio - Classical

Exercise Walking Loop

Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., beginning May 25, join your friends for a walk around the park! Stay healthy while you socialize with old friends and meet new ones.

Seattle Public Theater Performance

On Friday, June 2 at 3:30 p.m., enjoy a performance of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night."

Inter-generational Activities

On Wednesdays July 19 and August 16, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., children and adults 55 and "better" can enjoy craft activity booths, a chalk art corner with help from Starbucks volunteers, interactive music activities from Recess Monkey, and fun on the inflatable jump toy!



Wi-Fi Hot Spot

The City of Seattle is providing free wireless Internet access in Freeway Park. The City's Wi-Fi pilot project also includes other downtown Seattle parks: Occidental, Westlake, and Victor Steinbrueck, in addition to the Plaza at the new City Hall. Users can log in using seattlewifi for the ssid.

Many thanks to our sponsors, the Freeway Park Neighborhood Association, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Renaissance Seattle Hotel, and the Park Place/Wright Runstad & Company



Beth Somerfield

Outdoor Pools

Parks operates two unique outdoor pools for summer fun. Each offers swimming lessons, family swimming, water exercise programs, and special events. And you can rent the whole pool for your own special event!

Lowery C. “Pop” Mounger Pool

2535 32nd Avenue W 206-684-4708

Open daily through September 10

Mounger Pool is really two pools in one place. The “big pool” has a 50-foot corkscrew slide and the warmer, shallower “little pool” is great for relaxing and for teaching little ones. Call the pool to reserve it for your own birthday party or other special event!

Special events at “Pop”

(please call the pool for details):

June 2	Yabba Dabba Pool Party
June 9	Rubber Ducky Derby
June 16	Nemo’s Underwater Adventure
June 23	Out of This World Water Fun
June 30	Stars and Stripes Forever
July 7	Hawaiian Beach Party
July 14	Summer Splash-Tacular
July 21	Jamaican Jamboree
July 28	Pirate Pool Party
August 4	Art on Deck
August 11	Outrageous Animal Safari
August 18	Fantastic Fiesta
August 25	Kids’ Crazy Carnival
September 1	Royal Splish Splash
September 8	Season Finale

Colman Pool

8603 Fauntleroy Way SW

206-684-7494

Spring weekends: June 3 and 4

June 10 and 11

Regular season: June 17 through September 4
(Labor Day)

Late weekends: September 9 and 10

The unique Colman Pool enjoys a spectacular view of Puget Sound from its prime location on the beach in West Seattle’s Lincoln Park. It features heated salt water and the Giant Tube Slide!

Please note we’ll be closed for the Seattle Open Swim Meet June 29 through July 1 and July 14 through 16.

Colman Pool Special Events

June 23	Opening Splash-Off
July 7	Nemo’s Underwater Adventure
July 21	Summer Splash-Tacular
July 28	Family Fun Float
August 4	Hawaiian Beach Party
August 11	Rubber Ducky Derby
August 18	Spectacular Sports Night
August 25	Kids’ Crazy Carnival
September 1	Season Finale

Swimming Beaches

Parks offers safe, lifeguarded beaches at nine sites around the city, and we **strongly** recommend swimming only where lifeguards are present. Beaches are open daily, weather permitting, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

These beaches are open from June 24 through September 4:

- ◆ West Green Lake, 7312 W Green Lake Drive
- ◆ Madison, 1900 43rd Avenue E
- ◆ Matthews, 9300 51st Avenue NE
- ◆ Mt. Baker, 2301 Lake Washington Boulevard S
- ◆ Seward, 5902 Lake Washington Boulevard S

These beaches are open from June 24 through Aug. 27:

- ◆ East Green Lake, 7201 E Green Lake Drive N
- ◆ Magnuson, 7400 Sand Point Way NE
- ◆ Madrona, 853 Lake Washington Boulevard
- ◆ Pritchard Beach, 8400 55th Avenue S

Parks offers free beginning swimming lessons on weekdays beginning on July 10, July 24, and August 14. You can register right at the beach for a two-week series of lessons.

New! Summer SplashTacular! Go to any beach or either small craft center on Saturday, July 15 to kick off National Aquatics Week. Enjoy a week’s worth of fun free and very low cost events at pools and beaches all over Seattle!

Neighborhood Fun for Kids!

Wading Pools

Into the wading pool: fun for little tadpoles!

Wading pool hotline: 206-684-7796, updated daily by 9 a.m. We fill the pools based on weather conditions.

Parks provides wading pools all over the city to cool your feet and let your little one splash and play. Info: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Aquatics/wadingpools.htm>.

Long Season Wading Pool Schedule

LOCATION	ADDRESS	DATES	Hours	Weekend Operation	July 4 th	Labor Day
Bitter Lake Playfield	13035 Linden Ave N	6/17 – 9/4	Noon to 7 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Delridge Playfield	4458 Delridge Way SW	6/17 – 9/2	Noon to 7 p.m.	Saturday		
East Queen Anne Playground	1912 Warren Ave N	6/17 – 9/4	Noon to 7 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Green Lake Park	7201 E Green Lake Way N	6/17 – 9/4	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Hiawatha Playfield	2700 California Ave SW	6/17 – 9/4	Noon to 7 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Lincoln Park	8011 Fauntleroy Way SW	6/17 – 9/4	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Lower Judkins Spray Feature	2150 S Norman St	6/17 – 9/4	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Miller Spray Feature	330 19 th Ave E	6/17 – 9/4	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Pratt Spray Feature	1800 S Main St	6/17 – 9/4	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
South Park Playfield	8319 8 th Ave S	6/17 – 9/2	Noon to 7 p.m.	Saturday		
View Ridge Playfield	4408 NE 70th St	6/17 – 9/4	Noon to 7 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Volunteer Park	1247 15 th Ave E	6/17 – 9/4	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆
Wallingford Playfield	4219 Wallingford Ave N	6/17 – 9/4	Noon to 7 p.m.	Both days	◆	◆

Short Season Wading Pool Schedule

June 26 to August 18, weekdays from noon to 7 p.m.

Beacon Hill, 1902 13th Avenue S*

Cal Anderson, 1635 11th Avenue

Dahl, 7700 25th Avenue NE

E.C. Hughes, 2805 SW Holden Street*

Georgetown, 750 S Homer Street*

Gilman, 923 NW 54th Street

Highland Park, 1100 SW Cloverdale Street*

Magnuson, 7400 Sand Point Way NE (June 24 to August 27)

Northacres, 12718 1st Avenue NE*

Peppi's, 3233 E Spruce Street*

Powell Barnett, 352 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way*

Ravenna, 5520 Ravenna Avenue NE

Sandel, 9053 1st Avenue NW*

Soundview, 1590 NW 90th Street

* Offers a sack lunch between noon and 1 p.m. This free lunch program is for youth 18 and younger.



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Community Connections

Parks offers a free, supervised drop-in program for elementary and middle school aged children that will feature arts and other activities representing the customs and cultures of Seattle's diverse communities.

Beginning on Monday, June 26 and ending on Friday, August 18, the program runs on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 1 to 5 p.m. at Othello Playground, 4351 S Othello St., and Judkins Park and Playfield, 2150 S Norman St.

Beginning on Tuesday, June 27 and ending on Thursday, August 17, the program also takes place each Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. at Maplewood Playfield, 4801 Corson Ave. S, Brighton Playfield, 39th Ave. S/S Juneau St., and Pratt Park, 1800 S Main St.

Parks invites ALL participants to a big end-of-

summer celebration at 1 p.m. Saturday, August 19 at Brighton Playfield, 39th Ave. S/S Juneau St.

Lawn Bowling

Lawn Bowling at Jefferson Park

4103 Beacon Avenue S 206-762-2490

Lawn Bowling at Woodland Park

N 63rd Street and Whitman Avenue N 206-782-1515

Lawn bowling continues to gain in popularity—check it out! If you're 10 years of age or older, learn the game this summer. Lessons are free on Saturdays at 10 a.m., and the bowling clubs provide bowls for you. For evening bowling, please call the clubs for times. Please wear gym shoes or other flat-soled shoes. To learn about the game, see <http://www.seattlebowls.org>

Boating

"There is nothing – absolutely nothing – half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats."

— From Kenneth Grahame's *The Wind in the Willows*

Mt. Baker Rowing and Sailing Center

800 Lake Washington Boulevard S 206-386-1913

Enjoy camps and classes in sailing, rowing, sailboarding, canoeing, and kayaking in the sparkling waters of Lake Washington. Classes run all summer; please call the center for schedules and fees. Info: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/boats/mtbaker.htm>.

Special events at the small craft centers:

National Learn to Row: Saturday, June 10, 9:30 a.m. to noon. FREE!

Get a quick taste and introduction to rowing. If you're 11 or older, come down to your community facility to see what this fast growing, popular sport is all about. Learn the fundamentals on land and water. There's no need to register. Participants 11-15 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

Annual Mt. Baker Summer Open House

Sunday, July 16, 1 to 4 p.m.

If you're cycling along Lake Washington Boulevard on July 17, a Bicycle Sunday, stop by the Center and get to know us! Go for a sail in the Flying Scot, try out a kayak or canoe, and look over our class offerings. And check out plans for the center's upcoming expansion!

Green Lake Small Craft Center

5900 Green Lake Way N 206-684-4074

Sign up for summer classes at the Green Lake Small Craft Center on the shore of Green Lake! No matter what your age, there's a class for you in rowing, sailing, canoeing, or kayaking. Please call the center for schedules and fees.

At Green Lake's youth sailing camps, kids will have a great time learning the basics of water safety, sailing, rigging, and boat handling in our Toppers. We offer

week-long, four hour per day classes all summer. To participate, you need to weigh 80 pounds or more. If you're an experienced sailor between the ages of 11 and 17, we offer junior racing camps to prepare you for competition. Info: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Boats/Grnlake.htm>.

Masters Rowing National Championships

Green Lake and Mt. Baker Crews jointly host the championships with US Rowing from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on August 10, 11, 12, and 13. The event draws about 1,200 athletes from around the country, and features a full length 1,000-meter race course, starting and finish line towers, and some of the finest masters athletes in the country.



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Environmental Education

In Seattle we pride ourselves on being “green.” Because your interest in learning about our environment grows every day, Parks offers lots of opportunities right here in the city to get away from the noise and bustle and learn about nature. Join us at one of our four environmental learning centers and meet our urban animal friends, take a family hike, discover sea creatures at low tide at the beach, sing around a campfire, or watch for city-dwelling eagles, ospreys, and great blue herons!

Camp Long

5200 35th Avenue SW
206-684-7434

Camp Long is one of the jewels in our parks crown. It's a 68-acre oasis that features Schurman Rock, newly renovated by the Seattle Parks Foundation for the use of rock climbers, and 10 rustic cabins available for an overnight adventure. Camp Long naturalists offer a broad array of summer hikes, camping trips, and opportunities to study the wild creatures that live in our parks. Stroll the beach at Me Kwa Mooks Park, bring your little one to a Tot Walk, discover the wonders of the pond, come on a family wagon train adventure, or just relax in the meadow. The Lodge is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Please call for details or visit the web at <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Environment/camplong.htm>.

Arts-in-Nature Festival at Camp Long

In partnership with the Camp Long Advisory Council and the Nature Consortium, Camp Long hosts the Arts-in-Nature Festival, featuring music, art, dance, and theater the weekend of August 26 and 27. Join the fun from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days.

Carkeek Park

950 NW Carkeek Park Road 206-684-0877

Located in northwest Seattle, this popular park offers wonderful trails, great beach access, and extraordinary views of Puget Sound and the Olympic Mountains. Years of hard work by neighbors and other volunteers have brought salmon back to Pipers Creek in the park. Please join us for classes, events, and work parties. The environmental learning center, the first building in Seattle to receive a gold rating from the U.S. Green Building Council, is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, please call us or visit the web at: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/parkspaces/Carkeek.htm>



Discovery Park

3801 W Government Way
206-386-4236

If you're looking for real wilderness in the city, this is the place. This 512-acre gem provides the perfect setting for a host of nature programs for adults and kids. Take beach walks, enjoy an evening campfire, join a habitat restoration work party, or bring your kids for Nature's Storytime or a Tot Walk.

The Visitor Center is open Tuesday through Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please call for details, or visit the web at: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Environment/discovparkindex.htm>

Seward Park

5902 Lake Washington Boulevard S 206-684-4075

Seward Park, on the Bailey Peninsula that extends into Lake Washington, is the site of one of our prized stands of old growth forest. Our environmental learning center is a living classroom that offers opportunities to watch birds, bats, and other creatures, and to engage in nature study that's both informative and fun. And stay tuned for updates on the exciting partnership between Parks and the National Audubon Society to renovate and provide programs in the old Annex. You can find information

about the project at: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/propparks/projects/sewardpark.htm>. For information about programs, please see: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/parkspaces/sewardpark.htm>



Special Events

Seattle parks are ideal, natural places for a wealth of special summer events that celebrate summer and our unique mix of cultures and interests, and how we observe them. Here are a few:



Group Health Bicycle Saturdays and Sundays

On selected weekend days in the summer, Lake Washington Boulevard is closed to vehicle traffic from Mt. Baker Beach to Seward Park. Group Health Cooperative joins Adobe Systems and the Cascade Bicycle Club as a sponsor. Bring a picnic, stop in the park to rest, savor the view of Lake Washington, Mt. Rainier, and the Cascades, and enjoy one of Seattle's best family outings. Grab your bikes and helmets, and cruise the Boulevard at your own speed!

Bicycle Saturdays

June 10
July 8
August 12
September 9

Bicycle Sundays

June 18 (Father's Day!)
July 16
August 20
September 17

2006 Greater Seattle Senior Games: Grab life and go!

June 2, 3, and 4, at Chief Sealth High School and Southwest Community Center, 2801 SW Thistle. This event provides a great opportunity for senior adults to showcase their athletic talents and to display healthy aging, discipline, and hard work. The Games promote health, fitness, and an active lifestyle for people 50 years old and "better" through participation, competition, education, and social engagement. Info: 206-684-4240 or <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Seniors/games.htm> or www.greaterseattleseniorgames.org.

Lake Union Wooden Boat Festival

The weekend of July 1 through 4, stop by South Lake Union Park, 860 Terry Avenue N, and enjoy Toy Boat Building, the Quick and Daring Boat Building Competition and Race, the Ed Clark Regatta, free public rides, and the wonderful music stage. Activities run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 1, 2, and 4, and from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. July 3. Suggested donation: \$5. This year the Classic Speed Boat Show takes place the same weekend. Info: <http://www.cwb.org/BoatFest2006.htm>

Fourth of Jul-Ivar's, Keep Clam!

Come down for this traditional July 4th celebration at Myrtle Edwards Park on the downtown waterfront, at the foot of Broad Street at Pier 70. Fireworks show starts at 10 p.m. Info: 206-287-6801 Info: <http://www.ivals.net>.

Washington Mutual Family Fourth

Make a day of it at Gas Works Park on the north shore of Lake Union, and enjoy lots of food and family fun. American pyrotechnic master Eric Tucker is hard at work designing this year's show, which will feature more than 5,000 fireworks set to music broadcast on 95.7 KJR-FM and KUBE 93 radio, and on KING-TV. Fireworks start at 10 p.m. Info: <http://familyfourth.org/>.



Central Area Community Festival

This 10th annual celebration of one of Seattle's oldest neighborhoods takes place this year on Saturday, July 22 from noon to 9 p.m., and Sunday, July 23 from noon to 8 p.m. at the Garfield Community Center and Playfield, 2323 E Cherry Street. Enjoy a craft market, live entertainment, food, and cultural activities for the whole family. The festival focuses on strengthening community spirit and celebrating cultural diversity in this vibrant community. Don't miss the second annual "Central Area Community Family Parade" on Saturday to kick off the celebration. Info: <http://www.cacf.com/2006cacf.htm>.

Pista Sa Nasyon

Pista sa nasyon means "town festival" in Tagalog. This annual Seafair event is Seattle's celebration of our Filipino history and culture. Come to the amphitheater at Seward Park, 5902 Lake Washington Boulevard S, on Sunday, July 30 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and enjoy food, crafts, and entertainment with a distinctly Filipino flavor. Info: <http://1grid.net/pistaorg/>

Seattle City Open

Presented by RealEstateGals.com:

Lower Woodland Park, 5 to 10 p.m. June 19 through 23, 9:30 a.m. June 24 and 25. This tennis tournament showcases the top Open and Senior tournament players in the Pacific Northwest. Past standouts include nationally ranked and top collegiate players. In the event of rain, the matches will take place at the Amy Yee Tennis Center, 2000 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way S. Info: 206-684-4764.

West-East Open Water Swim at Green Lake!

This event, which will take place at 9 a.m. on Sunday, June 25, provides a great opportunity to kick off summer with a competitive swim. The half-mile competition will entail swimming from West Green Lake Beach to East Green Lake Beach beginning at 9 a.m. The mile competition is from east to west to East Green Lake Beach beginning at 9:30 a.m. Fee: \$25 ahead of time, \$35 day of event. If you register ahead of time, you will receive a really cool t-shirt and swim cap! To register and for more information, please call 206-684-4961 or visit the web at: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Aquatics/Evanspool.htm>.

Emerald City Open Water Swim

Saturday August 19, 8:30 a.m. registration, 9 a.m. swim. Sign up for the half-mile straight course or the one-mile triangle course. Early registration fees (postmarked by August 12): ages 10-18, \$20; ages 19 and older, \$25. Registration fees day of race: ages 10-18, \$30; ages 19 and older, \$35. Registration forms are available online at: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Aquatics/openwaterswim.htm>, or you can call 206-684-4766, or e-mail timothy.ewings@seattle.gov.

Open Water Swim Clinics



Madison Beach, where E Madison ends at Lake Washington, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays, August 9 and 16. Learn how to swim in a lake or the ocean for a race or for fun!

This class is a must for preparing for the swim portion of a triathlon or for an open water swim of any type, and is a great opportunity if you're entering the Emerald City Open Water Swim. Learn how to swim safely in a crowd, how to swim straight, and how to swim distances with the most efficiency! Sign up at Meadowbrook Pool, 10515 35th Ave. NE, before August 5 for \$10 a session, or at the beach the day for \$15 a session. Info: Scott, 684-4989.

33rd Annual Old Timers' Picnic

August 29 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

It's a jungle out there! Take a walk on the wild side at the 33rd Annual Old Timers' Picnic at the Woodland Park Zoo. Come out and enjoy lunch and entertainment, and walk through our world class zoo! The zoo is located at 5500 Phinney Avenue N. It's on the #5 Metro bus route (get off at N 59th Street and go one block east to the zoo's north entrance). Tickets go fast and registration is required for this free event, so please call 684-4951 now to register.

Langston Hughes Summer Teen Musical: Summer Rhapsody: "The Reunion"

The annual All-Teen Summer Musical is a beloved tradition at Langston Hughes Performing Arts Center, 104 17th Avenue S. It gives teens experience in every aspect of theater production, auditions to the cast party. This year's performances will take place at the Seattle Repertory Theater, 155 Mercer Street at Seattle Center. Tickets go fast, so call soon! 206-684-4757.

Performances are August 22 -27. Info: 684-4757, or visit the web at <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Centers/Langston/activity.htm>

The Bard in the Park

GreenStage has come of age! It's celebrating its 18th birthday by doing what real teenagers do – cavorting in the park with a picnic. Find out just "what fools these mortals be" as you enter the forest for a night

of romantic hijinks in A Midsummer Night's Dream, or take your chances entering the House of Lancaster as Henry enters the War of the Roses in "Henry VI, The Fall of Lancaster, the Rise of York. GreenStage's Bard in the Park productions will transport you to another time and place. This year's performances run from July 14 to August 27. For the complete schedule, please visit <http://www.greenstage.org/>



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Stone Soup Summer Stage 2006 Youth Performances

Stone Soup Theater offers theater camps that culminate in live performances at two convenient Seattle park locations. These offerings provide both entertainment and inspiration to young people. Info: http://www.stonesouptheatre.com/Kids_Summer_Camp_Program.htm. Here's this year's schedule:

Date	Time	Meridian Playfield, 4949 Sunnyside Ave. N	Seward Park, 5902 Lake Washington Blvd. S
June 30	11 a.m.	Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe	Tikki Tikki Tembo
June 30	1 p.m.	A Dragon Tail	Fractured Fairy Tales
July 7	11 a.m.	Tikki Tikki Tembo	Treasure Trunk
July 7	1 p.m.	Improvisation	Improvisation
July 14	1 p.m.	Fractured Fairy Tales	
July 14	1 p.m.	The Hobbit I	A Dragon Tail
July 21	1 p.m.	The Black Cauldron	The Truly Tall Tale of Snow White
July 21	1 p.m.	The Swashbuckler Sisters	The Hobbit I
July 28	1 p.m.	The Hobbit I	The Black Cauldron
August 4	1 p.m.	Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe	Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe
August 11	1 p.m.	The Truly Tall Tale of Snow White	A Midsummer Night's Dream
August 11	1 p.m.	The Black Cauldron	
August 18	11 a.m.	Tikki Tikki Tembo	
August 18	1 p.m.	A Midsummer Night's Dream	A Dragon Tail
August 25	1 p.m.	The Hobbit II	The Hobbit I
August 25	1 p.m.	Fractured Fairy Tales	

Gorgeous, Glorious Gardens

In Seattle there's no better time than summer to slow down, take a stroll, and enjoy our colorful and fragrant gardens. They're the best places in town to stop and smell the flowers. For directions, please visit our web site at www.seattle.gov/parks/parkspaces/gardens.htm.

Woodland Park Rose Garden

5000 Fremont Avenue N
Open daily 7 a.m. to dusk
Free admission

The Woodland Park Rose Garden, managed by the Woodland Park Zoo, is one of only two dozen certified American Rose Test Gardens in the United States. The garden, open since 1924, features more than 5,000 rose bushes representing 280 varieties. At its picturesque and fragrant best from May through August, the garden displays new rose hybrids before they become available to amateur rose enthusiasts.

Kubota Garden

9600 Renton Avenue S
Open daily from sunup to sunset
Free admission

Hidden in South Seattle, Kubota Garden is a stunning 20-acre landscape that blends Japanese garden concepts with native Northwest plants. The city acquired the property, now an historic landmark, in 1987 from the estate of master landscaper Fujitaro Kubota. Kubota was a horticultural pioneer when he began merging Japanese design techniques with North American materials in his display garden in 1927. The Garden is a spectacular setting of hills and valleys interlaced with streams, waterfalls, ponds, bridges, and rock outcroppings and a rich array of plant material. Recent work funded by the Pro Parks Levy has resulted in improved paths, an upgraded entry, new restrooms, new irrigation, and better access for people with disabilities. Be sure to stop and see the beautiful new gate by artist Gerard Tsutakawa.

Parsons Garden

7th Avenue W and W Highland Dr.
Open daily 4 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Free admission

Formerly the family garden of Reginald H. Parsons, the park was given to the city in 1956 by the family's children. This small but lovely garden is a hidden gem on Queen Anne Hill's south slope.



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Japanese Garden

1502 Lake Washington Boulevard (in the Washington Park Arboretum)
Open daily through August 28, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; starting August 29, closing is at 6 p.m.
Admission: \$5 per adult, \$3 per youth or senior, free for kids 5 and younger.

This 3½-acre formal garden was designed and built under the supervision of world-renowned Japanese garden designer Juki Iida in 1960. Chado (The Way of Tea) demonstrations are offered regularly in the traditional teahouse (for more information, please call 206-324-1483). It has been named one of the top ten Japanese gardens in the world outside Japan.

Special Events in the Japanese Garden: Please note that special events may be cancelled if it rains.

June 5, July 3, and August 7: "Haiku Garden" poetry readings, 7 p.m.

June 12, Bonsai Workshop, 1 p.m., sponsored by the Puget Sound Bonsai Association. Cost: \$25. Please make a reservation.

June 19 and July 24, Public Garden Tours. Tour the whole garden at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., and tour the Stroll Garden at 12:30 p.m.

June 25, Garden Concert. 1:30 p.m. Duo "EN" John & Elizabeth Falconer, Koto and shakuhachi bamboo flute. Complimentary with admission.

Free Admission July 3!

July 8, Tanabata Festival, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Poetry, entertainment, tanzanku, and Tea Ceremony. Public tours complimentary with admission

July 10, 24, and 31, Japanese Story Time with Ruby Bono, 10 a.m.

July 10 at 11 a.m. and August 7 at 1 p.m., Bonsai Workshop. Cost: \$25. Please make a reservation.

July 10, Ikebana by Megumi, 1 p.m. Four-class series (7/10, 17, 24, 31) \$100. Please make a reservation.

July 16 and August 20, Garden Concert, 1:30 p.m. Duo "EN" John and Elizabeth Falconer, Koto and Bamboo Flute. Complimentary with admission.

July 17, "En Plein Air" Water Color session, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost: \$25. Please make a reservation.

August 14 and 21, Folktales and Puppetry with Elizabeth Falconer, 11 a.m.

August 21, Maple Pruning Class, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$45. Please make a reservation.

September 2, Moon Viewing, 7 to 10 p.m. A magical night of entertainment in honor of the autumn moon. Cost: \$10.

September 18, Respect for the Elderly Day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Walks, talks, and entertainment; free admission if you're 65 or "better."

Volunteer Park Conservatory

1400 E Galer Street
Open daily 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Call 206-684-4743 for information about Conservatory "Second Sunday" programs.

This jewel in Volunteer Park was built in 1912 and modeled after the Crystal Palace in London. It features an outstanding display of flowering plants from all over the world, and its notable 600-variety orchid collection began as a gift from Anna H. Clise in 1919.

The Conservatory features five houses – bromeliad, fern, palm, cactus, and a special seasonal house that displays the floral glory of each period of the year.

Take a **Mini Tropical Tour!** Docents from the Friends of the Conservatory welcome groups of K-12 students, seniors, college students, gardeners, tourists, Urban Safari students,



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and Seattle landmark lovers to tour Conservatory plant collections and learn about architectural history, plant acquisition and production, how the building operates, and behind-the-scenes news. Tours begin at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Please give us two weeks' notice! Cost: \$25 per group, free for K-12 groups.

Info: 322-4112, foc@volunteerparkconservatory.org.

Mark your calendar! **The Conservatory Annual Fall Plant Sale** takes place September 16, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shop for indoor tropical plants, ferns, and various perennials at this sale sponsored by the Friends of the Conservatory. Info: 206-322-4112 or <http://www.volunteerparkconservatory.org/>.



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Washington Park Arboretum

2300 Arboretum Drive
Open daily 7 a.m. to dusk
For more information, please call 206-543-8800

The Washington Park Arboretum is a spectacular urban green space on the shores of Lake Washington. Its 230 acres display a dynamic, living museum with collections of oaks, conifers, camellias, Japanese maples, and hollies. Parks owns and manages the Arboretum grounds, and the University of Washington manages its plant collections through the Center for Urban Horticulture. The nonprofit Arboretum Foundation manages fund raising, membership, and volunteer services.

Music in the Park

Washington Mutual Zoo Tunes

This popular series returns for its 23rd season with a great lineup. Bring a picnic dinner and the kids – or buy food on site – and enjoy laid-back music on a blanket in Woodland Park Zoo's north meadow and be home in time for the kids' bedtime! Tickets are available at Metropolitan Markets (please see www.metropolitan-market.com for locations), and a limited number are available at the zoo gate, Info: 206-615-0076 or visit the web at http://www.zoo.org/special_events/zoo_tunes/tunes.html. Admission for kids younger than 12 is free.

June 28	Arlo Guthrie, \$19
July 2	Indigo Girls, \$28
July 5	Little Feat, \$19
July 19	Doc Watson, \$19
July 23	Leo Kottke with Leon Redbone, \$16
July 26	Shawn Colvin with Dar Williams, \$19
August 2	Brandi Carlile with Mat Kearney, \$18
August 9	Los Lobos, \$19
August 16	Etta James, \$22



Out to Lunch Series

This great free music series sponsored by the Downtown Seattle Association (DSA) and partners features all kinds of music at noontime in Westlake, Freeway, and Occidental parks, and at other downtown plazas. You can choose from jazz, rock, Latin, funk R&B, alternative rock, and classical as you take a noontime "vacation" from work. Concerts are from noon to 1:30 p.m., and the season runs from June 26 through September 1. For a complete schedule, please call the DSA at 206-23-0340, or visit the web at <http://www.downtownseattle.com/content/programs/OurEvents.cfm>.

2005 Peace Concerts

This year marks the 26th for the Peace Concert series. These free festivals are held at parks all over the city on summer Sundays from noon to 6 p.m., or as otherwise noted. Please bring a food donation for Northwest Harvest. For more information, please call 206-729-5232 or visit the web site at <http://www.seapeace.org/>.

